

9. MED PATCHES

9.1 GENERAL

Notification: Defined as any communication between a pre-hospital provider and the receiving hospital that does not require receiving specific patient care instructions/authorizations from a Command Physician. A BLS patch and an ALS Notification are essentially one and the same.

Medical Command: Defined as any communication between a pre-hospital provider and the receiving hospital where a Medical Command Physician may give specific instructions/authorizations for patient treatment.

9.2 PROCEDURE

- EMS units will request a talkgroup from the dispatcher.
- A talkgroup will be assigned and the unit will contact the hospital on that talkgroup.
- The unit will return to the previous talkgroup and advise the dispatcher that the patch has been completed.